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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2003 and having a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on December 22, 2003. Applicant submits the following responsive amendment in the above-identified application. Also submitted with this amendment is a Request for one-month Extension with the required fee, to extend the period of reply to January 22, 2004. Applicant be leves this amendment places the application in better condition for allowance. Applicant's remarks are attached hereto and start on page 2.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace the claims with the attached amended claims.